<u>Listing of Claims:</u>

- 1. (currently amended) A method comprising: reading one or more track offsets from a disk compact disk ("CD"); and encoding said offsets into an identification code; and performing a database lookup using said identification code offsets to identify information associated with said disk[[CD]] in said database ("disk][CD]]-related information").
- 2. (canceled).
- 3. (original) The method as in claim 1[[2]] wherein encoding comprises: executing a hash algorithm to generate said identification code.
- 4. (original) The method as in claim 3 wherein said hash algorithm is an MD5 hash algorithm.
- 5. (currently amended) The method as in claim 4 wherein an said MD5 hash produced by said MD5 has algorithm is rendered in a Base-64 format.
- 6. (currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein said disk[[CD]]-related information comprises disk[[CD]] titles and disk[[CD]] track titles.

Claims 7-34 (canceled).

- 35. (new) An apparatus comprising: means for reading one or more track offsets from a disk; means for encoding said offsets into an identification code; and means for performing a database lookup using said identification code to identify information associated with said disk in said database ("disk-related information").
- 36. (new) The apparatus as in claim 35 wherein the means for encoding comprises means for executing a hash algorithm to generate said identification code.
- 37. (new) The apparatus as in claim 36 wherein said hash algorithm is an MD5 hash algorithm.
- 38. (new) The apparatus as in claim 37 wherein an MD5 hash produced by said MD5 hash algorithm is rendered in a Base-64 format.
- 39. (new) The apparatus as in claim 35 wherein said disk-related information comprises at least one of disk titles and disk track titles.
- 40. (new) A computer-readable medium comprising program code to be executed by a computer, the program code comprising:
 - program code for reading one or more track offsets from a disk;

program code for encoding said offsets into an identification code; and program code for performing a database lookup using said identification code to identify information associated with said disk in said database ("disk-related information").

- 41. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 40 wherein the program code for encoding comprises program code for executing a hash algorithm to generate said identification code.
- 42. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 41 wherein said hash algorithm is an MD5 hash algorithm.
- 43. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 42 wherein an MD5 hash produced by said MD5 hash is rendered in a Base-64 format.
- 44. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 35 wherein said diskrelated information comprises at least one of disk titles and disk track titles.